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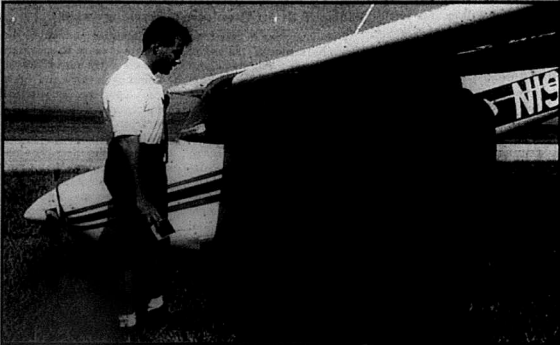
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Planes does nose dive at Pahokee Airport



Deputy Sheriff Philip Dimola and Everglades Regional Medical EMS Mark Keating inspect the Cessna 152 II, piloted by Nicky Hughes of Dublin, Ireland. Ms. Hughes was practicing landing and take off when she came down too hard and did a nose dive into the runway. SUNPHOTO By Debra Miller

By Debra Miller
Staff Reporter

When novice pilot Nicky Hughes, 24, of Dublin, Ireland arrived in the States on Thursday, May 13, she decided to rent a Cessna 152 II from South Sky Aviation in Ft. Lauderdale and head to Pahokee Airport to practice her landing and take-off skills. She said she had heard the airport was one of the best in the area for practicing.

The trip took only a half hour when she saw the airport runway come into view.

As she began lowering herself to the ground she said she realized, too late, she was going to hit the ground too hard. After bouncing once, she lifted the plane up before once again lowering the plane to the runway. This time, the plane hit the ground and did a nose dive on the pavement.

The front wheel buckled sending the plane into the grassy medium.

Unhurt, Ms. Hughes exited the plane. When Deputy Sheriff Philip Dimola and Everglades Regional Medical Center EMS Supervisor Mark Keating arrived the plane was nose down on the side of the runway.

"When we arrived Ms. Hughes was out of the plane and told us she had just come down too hard," said Deputy Sheriff Dimola.

Ms. Hughes she wasn't sure what happened but conceded the accident was her fault and not a mechanical problem.

"I just messed up," said Ms. Hughes. "It was just bad judgement on my part."

Officers were concerned when they spotted several containers of oil in the cockpit, but

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Head of Pahokee Youth Development Center resigns

By Debra Miller
Staff Reporter

After 16 months as Pahokee Youth Development Centers' administrator, Norman Townsel has stepped down from his position.

Mr. Townsel has accepted a position at another Correctional Services Corporation facility in Baltimore, Maryland.

Though the center has been plagued with controversy over the last several months, Mr. Townsel believes he has

made a difference at the facility.

He told the facilities Advisory Committee Monday night one thing he could always count on was their help and involvement at the center and for that he was very grateful.

"It has been, for me, difficult at times, but I have probably learned more being here, good and bad, than I think at any other facility I have run," said Mr. Townsel. "Through the difficult times, you people have always supported me. I

am proud of the fact that I am not leaving here with things anywhere near where they were when I got here."

He told the committee the facility was being left in very capable hands and introduced Parks Casselbury as the new interim administrator.

Ms. Casselbury comes from Tennessee where she was an administrator for one of the facilities.

"Ms. Casselbury has been a facility for several months and I have every

confidence in the world that she will make great things happen at the center," said Mr. Townsel.

Also introduced by Mr. Townsel were other new members of the administrative staff including assistant administrator for operation Philip Jones and Ron Colombo, Assistant Administrator for programs.

The 350-bed center opened about two years ago and houses male youth of

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Two new officers join South Bay Police Department

Two new police officers were sworn into the South Bay Police Department during the Tuesday night commission meeting.

Joseph A. Viera and Larry Preece will join other officers under the command of Police Chief Danny Jones. This brings the department to a total of 14 officers.

"I am very happy to introduce these two officers to the

mayor, city commissioners and residents," said Chief Jones. "I am very proud of the officers we have and am proud to work with all of them."

In other business, Barbara Teremeb, principal of Rosenwald Elementary, told commission the state achievement test had been completed and the results for Rosenwald were very good.

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South Bay City Clerk Virginia Walker swears in two new police officers to the Police Department during the Tuesday night commission meeting. Pictured from left to right are Officer Larry Preece, Joseph Viera and Chief Danny Jones

Belle Glade woman aspires to the Ms. Wheelchair Florida title

By Brenda Bunting
Editor

Myrna Santiago-McPhee

spent countless hours recently hand writing letters to businesses in South Florida asking

for financial support in her quest to become Ms. Wheelchair Florida.

It was an extra effort for Myrna because her hands are weakened by Muscular Dystrophy.

Myrna entered the contest last year and was the first runner-up. This year, she hopes to bring home the crown when she competes June 10-12 in Dania.

Myrna, who is originally from Puerto Rico, was diagnosed with MD when she was 10 years old. She lost her ability to walk and has been confined to a wheelchair since she was 13. Last year, she suffered a heart attack brought on by the disease, but has recovered.

It was hard for her to adjust to life in a wheelchair, but she says her condition has been stable for the past two years and she hopes someday there will be a cure for this deadly disease.

Now 30, Myrna is married to Bertrum McPhee, Jr. and the

mother of a healthy 7-year-old son, Bertrum III. She and her husband and son moved to the area from Puerto Rico a year ago.

Despite her challenges, Myrna is living an active life and holds a bachelors degree in Criminal Justice. She is also a certified substitute teacher and a Handicap Parking Enforcement Specialist.

She is also a poet and just finished writing a poetry collection titled "Journeys of the Heart" which will be published by Bear Publishing House in Arizona and should be out in August. In her sparetime she volunteers with the Belle Glade Literacy Program.

"I believe there's nothing impossible, just incapable people not willing to try," she says. "If you think you can, you will."

Myrna said her letter writing campaign was not as successful as she had hoped, but she is still planning to attend the contest in June. Her biggest sponsor is the firm of Gunsler, York-

ley, Valdes-Fauli and Stewart, PA of West Palm Beach. They are sponsoring her for \$550. Osceola Farms also donated \$100 towards her expenses.

She is required to raise \$600 for the entry fees, and additional money is needed for formal gowns, hotel costs for her and her husband, who will be accompanying her to Dania.

Last year's pageant was a wonderful experience, says Myrna. She gave two speeches and was interviewed by the judges. She also sang "The Greatest Love of All" during the talent portion of the contest.

"You learn so much from the other contestants and you build relationships. We just want to show that disabled people can be part of society. Just because we're disabled, we're not dead," she said.

Anyone who would like to help Myrna in her quest to become Ms. Wheelchair Florida can contact her at 396-9827.



Myrna Santiago-McPhee aspires to be Ms. Wheelchair Florida and will be competing for the title in June in Dania, Florida.



SERVICE AWARDS PRESENTED...Clerk of the Circuit Court Dorothy Wilken (far left) presented several service awards to West County Courthouse employees last week. Shown with Ms. Wilken is Ana Rey, recipient of a 15 year pin, Lasha Carswell, recipient of a one yearkey chain, Barbara Milligan, recipient of a 35 year bracelet, Anna Perryman, recipient of a 10 year pin, and Melanie Grimes, recipient of a 20 year pin.

Clerk of the Court Dorothy Wilken presents service awards to Glades office employees

Dorothy H. Wilken, Clerk of the Circuit Court for Palm Beach County, presented a 35-year service award to Barbara Milligan, manager of the Clerk of the Court's West County and Royal Palm Beach Offices at a special awards ceremony Monday, May 10. Four other local employees of the Clerk of the Court's Office were also honored at the ceremony at the West County Office.

In addition to Ms. Milligan, local employees receiving service awards were Deputy Clerk and Supervisor Melanie Grimes of Belle Glade for 20 years of service, Deputy Clerks

Ana Rey and Beverly Antuna, both of Wellington, for 15 years of service respectively, and Deputy Clerk Anna Perryman, of Loxahatchee, for 10 years of service. A key chain was also given to Lasha Carswell for one year's service.

Ms. Milligan began her career with the Clerk's Office in 1963 and is the longest serving employee currently working in any of the Clerk of the Court's five area offices. Her duties during her long career have included marrying dozens of couples, as well as managing both the Belle Glade and Royal Palm Beach offices of the Clerk

of the Court.

"I love my job," Ms. Milligan said. "I love people and I love helping people. I just enjoy doing my job."

Ms. Wilken commented on Ms. Milligan's long and dedicated service to the public. "Barbara, as well as the fellow employees with whom she is being honored, are examples of the high level of dedication and professionalism we value in the Office of the Clerk of the Court. I know they take seriously their duty to serve the public and we thank them for their high level of service as well as their length of service."

GDS teachers receive awards



GLADES DAY SCHOOL TEACHERS Mrs. Paulette Mouton and Mrs. Sharon Baumgartner were recognized for their excellence in teaching at awards ceremonies last month. Mrs. Mouton, a sixth grade teacher, won the 1998/99 Deaver Foundation Award for Excellence in Teaching, receiving \$1,000 and a trophy. Mrs. Baumgartner, who received the Deaver Award in 1997/98, was a finalist for the William T. Dwyer Excellence in Teaching award.

When it applies to grammar, the old-fashioned rules of teaching are the best, according to Glades Day School English teachers Mrs. Paulette Mouton and Mrs. Sharon Baumgartner. Their approaches to teaching are paying off, with both receiving state recognition in awards ceremonies last month.

Mrs. Mouton, an 11-year veteran at Glades Day, has taught English and social studies for 30 years to a variety of age groups ranging from sixth graders to adults in locations that include Germany and Hawaii. She was awarded a \$1,000 prize from the 1998/99 Deaver Foundation for Excellence in Teaching Performance at a banquet held in Ft. Lauderdale last month.

Using the rules of grammar,

Mrs. Mouton challenges her students to learn to speak and write correctly and effectively. Combining history and literature, each year her students are encouraged to dress up in character for their oral biographical reports on famous historical characters. She also assigns social studies projects in which students do research, written reports and build three-dimensional projects ranging from the Stone Age to World Wars I and II.

"Mrs. Mouton is an outstanding educator who is truly dedicated in finding the ultimate trigger in motivating her students," said elementary principal Mrs. Karen McDermott. "She makes them want to learn by not accepting anything less than they are capable of giving."

Mrs. Baumgartner, who was

named a finalist for the William T. Dwyer "Excellence in Teaching" award, has taught English for 27 years, the last 15 at Glades Day School. She feels her success lies in the old-fashioned teaching approaches, which she explains, demonstrates, drills, and drills again. Her students actually learn about their language and often keep the rules in their heads.

"I've had students come back and visit me who can still quote some of the rules for grammar that I've taught them," said Mrs. Baumgartner, who felt flattered to be included among the elite in the teaching profession. Her former students boast of how their knowledge of the English language has paid off in college or on the job.

In addition to teaching junior high English, Mrs. Baumgartner is also sponsor of the National Honor Society, motivating the members to participate in community projects such as the Thanksgiving Food and Christmas Toy Drives.

Her students have raised over \$14,000 for the American Heart Association over the past few years. She has also spearheaded service projects for the American Lung Association, the Belle Glade and Pahokee Chamber of Commerce banquets.

"We were very pleased and proud that Mrs. Baumgartner was named a finalist for the Dwyer award," said Headmaster Mandy Perez. "She is truly dedicated to the teaching profession, and it is a credit to her that our students have the knowledge of English concepts necessary to succeed at the college level."

Local teens to showcase talents at Kravis Center

On Sunday, May 23, teens from the area will be showcasing their talents at the Kravis Center in Teen Cabaret.

Auditions were held recently and several Glades students were selected to participate in the event. All the auditions, selecting, lighting, technical areas, announcing, etc. are done

by teens under the supervision of the crew at the Kravis Center. Pahokee teen Holly Mohney will perform a country selection at Teen Cabaret and D.J. Prisco and Anthony D. Jackson will do a piano and drum set solo. The O.D. Express will present a "Sticking and Cadence" Performance.

O.D. Express members include D.J. Prisco, Kenny Fowler, Larry Weston, Brian Jackson, Rodrick Baker and Norris Fuse. The performance will be in the Rinker Playhouse at 7 p.m. on Sunday, May 23. Tickets are only \$2 each and are available from the Kravis Center. Just ask for Teen Cabaret.

At least one of the 76 tornadoes that swept through Oklahoma and Kansas recently was an F5

By Mike Lyons

It was obvious that the atmosphere was primed for a severe weather outbreak. The upper air data, the satellite photographs and the surface charts all told the same story, severe storms were headed for Oklahoma.

It was clear that America's Heartland would be under the gun. Yet, what was not apparent was just how severe last week's outbreak would be and exactly where the strongest storms would hit.

Now, we know. The National Weather Service estimates 76 tornadoes swept through Oklahoma and Kansas, killing over 40 people, injuring hundreds of others and destroying nearly 10,000 homes.

At least one of those tornadoes was rated as an F5, a twister with winds from 261 to 318 mph. One Doppler radar in Oklahoma City estimated the winds in that tornado topped 300 mph.

An F5 is the strongest and rarest of tornadoes. Since the National Weather Service began investigating tornado outbreaks in 1950, only 51 F5 tornadoes have been confirmed in the United States.

Just one F5 tornado formed all of last year, a devastating twister that ripped through the Birmingham, Alabama area in early April. Thirty-two people were killed, hundreds injured and, just like in Oklahoma, thousands of homes were shattered.



Mike Lyons

In 1997, an F5 tornado hit the small Texas town of Jarrell, just outside of Austin. Again, the loss of life was high, as the twister claimed 27 lives.

In each case, there was plenty of advance warning that the storms were coming. In Oklahoma last week, weather warnings were issued 20 to 30 minutes before the twisters hit.

Yet, with a storm packing winds over 260 mph, there aren't many places that offer a safe refuge. Only an underground shelter, like a basement, would prevent a major loss of life.

Florida has never experienced an F5 tornado. The strongest documented tornado in state history was an F4 (winds of 207-260 mph) that tore through the Tampa area in 1966. The twister killed 11 people and injured 530.

According to the National Weather Service, only eight F3

tornadoes (158-206 mph) have formed in one part of the state. Three of those hit central Florida last February, killing 42 people in the deadliest tornado outbreak in state history.

Most Florida tornadoes are weak and short-lived, typically lasting less than 10 minutes. Still, a weak tornado should not be underestimated.

May through August are the primary months of tornado activity in our part of Florida, with the peak coming in June. These months coincide with the beginning of Florida's rainy season and our heavy rain often makes detection of these weak tornadoes more difficult. That means we don't have as much advanced warning that a tornado has formed. So it's critical that you know what to do if a tornado is headed toward your home.

In a house, seek shelter in an interior room on the lowest level of your house. A closet or bathroom is a good choice, but be sure to get away from windows. In a high-rise building, head to a designated shelter, an interior hallway or a small, interior room on the lowest floor. Mobile home residents should evacuate immediately.

You may only have a few minutes before the twister strikes, so now is the time to think about what you would do should a tornado be headed your way.

Mike Lyons is the chief weather forecaster for WPBF-TV.

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ER Chronicles: A piece of something in his lungs

By Arlen R. Stauffer, M.D.

Mark was playing with an assortment of his favorite toys on the living room floor. He was content; life was good.

Mom was at her desk, working with her new Compaq, and was not worried about her two-year-old son playing in the other corner of the room. She was thankful for a child who could entertain himself when she needed to focus on a work project for an hour.

First, there was a coughing spell, not unlike those that all two-year-olds have from time to time. Then the coughs continued, and Mom looked up.

"Mark?" Little Mark had a somewhat perplexed look on his face. It appeared that he really didn't want to keep coughing, but he could not stop the hacking.

"Mark, what's the matter?" Mom rose and approached her son. The cough slowed, and Mark seemed to calm a bit. Mom gave him a quick hug, then returned to her desk.

The calm did not persist. Every few seconds, a couple more coughs backed across the room.

Now Mom was getting that sense of trouble brewing that moms always seem to feel at the right times. She returned to Mark's side, and knew that something wasn't right. He was breathing funny. There was a raspy sound with each breath.

As Mom carried Mark into the Oceanview ER waiting area, she looked around. The place was packed; people were sitting on the floor and on each other's laps. She reconsidered her decision to even come to the hospital. But that raspy breathing in her right ear convinced her to stay.

Bill was the nurse in the triage room again, and he glanced up at Mom and Mark as they approached his desk. It had been a long and trying shift for Bill.

"Hi. What's going on?"

"Well, Mark just started coughing at home, and he's making this funny sound."

Bill had been around the ER for 14 years, and he had seen just about everything. The words that Mom spoke drew Bill into a higher level of interest. He quickly fired a few questions at Mom while checking Mark's pulse and rate of breathing.

"Does Mark have asthma? Has he had a cold or an infection recently, or has he been coughing the past couple days? Did this cough start suddenly?"

Bill answered, somewhat concerned now by the urgent tone of Bill's voice.

"He's been perfectly fine until all at once; he's never done this before."

"Come with me." Bill moved quickly toward an ER bed.

Mom hustled to keep up with Bill, and glanced back at the packed

waiting room. Now Mom was worried. Mark threw in a couple more coughs.

As Bill was connecting Mark to the monitor by the bedside, he caught the attention of the emergency physician across the room. He motioned with a head movement for her to come closer.

Dr. Tammy Cortez walked towards Mark's bed. She nodded and smiled at Mom.

"Dr. Cortez, I'd like you to check this little guy." Bill related the story of the sudden development of Mark's cough. "He has this persistent wheeze on the right, but his oxygen saturation is OK. Looks like 94 percent."

Cortez asked several of the same questions that Bill had posed earlier, and added, "What kinds of things was Mark playing with when this started?"

The doctor was listening to Mark's lungs with her stethoscope as Mom responded.

"He had several of his little cars, and a couple of Beanie Babies."

A nurse added some extra oxygen to Mark's face.

Cortez shared her concerns with Mom. "I'm worried that Mark may have gotten a small piece of something down into his lungs."

As though right on cue, Mark rolled out four barks. Cortez turned to a nurse nearby. "Call X-ray, and have them bring the portable over here."

Cortez placed a small blue box on a table next to Mark. Mom noticed the label on the box: "AIRWAY."

"The x-ray tech rolled in her machine."

"Let's try to get a chest view in expiration also," Cortez requested.

Cortez went to see an elderly man in the next room, but kept one eye on Mark. The nurse stayed at Mark's side, and watched the oxygen saturation monitor. Mark coughed again, and he kept wheezing.

The x-ray tech returned with two developed films, and threw them quickly up onto the view-box. Cortez hurried over.

"Whatever it is...it doesn't show up on x-ray," she said to the nurse. "But that right lung does stay inflated more during expiration; there must be a foreign body in there. Get Manning on the phone for me."

"Mom," Cortez said, turning back to the fretful mother, "It looks like Mark must have inhaled something into his right lung, perhaps a piece of one of his toys. I'm going to get the pediatric lung specialist to come take a look at him."

"Is this dangerous?"

"Right now, Mark seems to be doing fine. He's getting plenty of oxygen into his system. Whatever it is there was small enough that it went on down through the trachea and into a smaller bronchial tube. So, it didn't block his whole airway, but is further down the bronchial tree. We can't leave this in there; it can cause a lot of trouble."

"What will the lung doctor do?"

lose weight. Eat breakfast. Eating breakfast can "wake up" your metabolism and help your body burn fat. Eat a bowl of whole grain cereal with low fat milk. Eating whole grain cereal for breakfast every day can actually lower your cholesterol level. (Unless for some reason your doctor has told you not to. In that case, ask your doctor what to eat for breakfast.)

Even old fad diets can come back into fashion

By Katrina Elsen,

Contributing Editor

Everything old is new again.

A reader prompted me to check out the Atkins diet, which has recently regained popularity.

I have some first-hand knowledge of the diet. I actually went on it back in the early 1980s, when it was first popular. What I remember about the diet then is that it did not restrict calories or fat, but did restrict carbohydrates. "I also remember that anyone on the diet had to carry a bottle of mouthwash around or risk social embarrassment."

I did lose weight on the diet. But then I missed eating things like bread and pasta and went off the diet and gained it all back.

I've changed since the early 1980s. For one thing, I don't go on fad diets anymore. After losing - and regaining - the same 20 pounds at least a dozen times, I learned my lesson.

Now I try to concentrate on maintaining an overall healthy lifestyle.

Dr. Atkins' diet plan has changed a bit too. Now instead of having a book and a clinic, Dr. Atkins has a web site, several books and a host of other products to sell. For an otherwise healthy person who wants to lose a few pounds, there probably isn't anything drastically wrong with the diet (aside from the bad breath that results from eating all that protein and fat). But I still advise anyone who plans to make such a radical change in eating habits to first consult their own doctor. This is especially important if you are on any medication, have high blood pressure or have heart problems. Some foods interact with prescription medications. Be careful what you eat - and what you don't eat.

One thing that did bother me while reviewing the web site information is that Dr. Atkins actually recommended putting infants on the diet if they are teething toward obesity. The problem, as I see it, is that some new parents might mistake normal baby fat as an indication of a tendency towards obesity. I think babies need a healthy diet, but I also think doctors should be careful what they tell new parents.

I suggest that a baby should lose weight is dangerous. In our society, where teenage girls starve themselves to try to look like pencil-thin models, the last thing we need is over-achieving new parents trying to get that same look with their toddlers. Babies, in my opinion, are supposed to have double chins. While they shouldn't be allowed to eat foods with a lot of empty calories, they shouldn't be allowed to go hungry either. Young babies who are just learning how to eat may easily turn into picky or problem eaters if their parents make mealtime an ordeal.

For advice on what to feed your baby, rely on your child's pediatrician.

can. Your baby's doctor knows your baby. He or she can tell you if the child needs a special diet.

If you are worried about whether or not your baby will grow up to be a fat adult, you need only look in the mirror.

Research shows that the best indication of whether a child will have a weight problem as an adult is to see if either of the parents has a weight problem. If the parents maintain a healthy weight, eat right and exercise regularly, so will the kids. Now is the time to set a good example.

Readers have also asked me about the new prescription weight loss drugs they see advertised. Again, I have misgivings.

The research I have seen indicates these drugs may help some people lose weight, but there are no miracle weight loss pills. Even if the drugs work, you still have to go on a restricted diet and exercise. So why risk the potential side effects of the drugs? You can lose weight almost as fast just going on the diet and exercise plan. One study I saw showed those who took the diet drug lost an average of 5 percent more weight than those who just went on the diet and exercise plan. Is that 5 percent worth it? Before you go to a weight loss clinic or start popping over the counter weight loss pills, talk to your regular physician.

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"Hi! This is Sherrie Dulaney. I'm calling because one of the teachers' names was omitted from the list that I had called in to say thank you for Teacher's Appreciation Week. I just want to let Mrs. Garcia know that I do appreciate all she does for Casey and all the other students at Cove. I just wanted to apologize that her name was left out of that list."

More on Black Gold

"This is in response to the Speak Out column on May 6 in *The Sun*. 'Black Gold is all White'. This person needs to get a life. If my memory serves me right, the first celebration was for the Bicentennial and we had so much fun that we decided to start having a harvest celebration every year... That person needs to realize that Black Gold does not mean black people it means the black muck that our harvest comes from. I don't live in Belle Glade any more but I still consider it home. I have many friends who live out there. This person really needs to get a life. Afro Arts is definitely Afro Arts, but Black Gold is a celebration for the entire city. If black people choose not to come, then that's their problem. Thank you."

...

"This is in response to the Speak Out on Black Gold. If the caller were truly interested in our community, they would be more knowledgeable about our annual festival. The Black Gold Jubilee began as a celebration of the founding of the City of Belle Glade. The term Black Gold refers to the rich soil in our area - the same soil that has supported this community for generations. There is no ethnic connotation to the term Black Gold. Speaking as a former member of the Black Gold Committee, I can tell you that any resident of Belle Glade is welcome to participate - both on the committee and in the festivities. In fact, it has always been difficult to find African Americans willing to serve on the committee and it was just as difficult to find African Americans to participate in the parade, booths and other events associated with the Jubilee. If I remember the Speak Out about Afro Arts the caller referred to, the complaint was about the loud music late at night, not the fact that the Afro Arts Festival was held.

Please remember that the Black Gold Jubilee is a celebration of our soil and the end of harvest season and has nothing to do with race. In order to bring our community together, we must all work together and have one back and complain about prejudices."

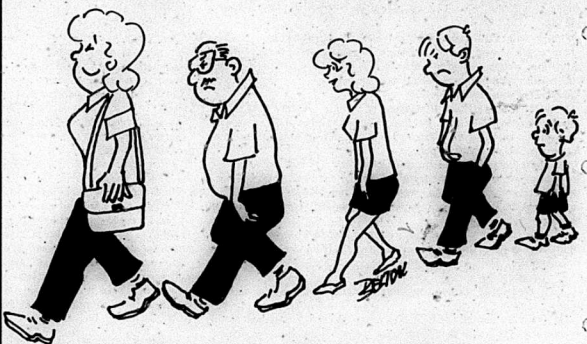
Caller explains

"I'm the caller who called two weeks ago about the Black Gold Jubilee. I see this really touched a lot of people by my speaking out about the Black Gold Jubilee. First of all, I know that Belle Glade's theme is 'Her Soil Is Her Fortune,' and I do know it stands for the black muck. I was born and raised in Pahokee and I now live in Belle Glade. I know that the rich muck is what has made us a living. My point was that we don't have a festival where we can get together and have one event. We don't seem to know how to get along together. I'm not prejudiced. I have an Hispanic boyfriend and I am a black female. But there is a lot of prejudice in this area and I think we need to face it."

Editor's note: This subject has evoked numerous Speak Out calls and the above call was edited for space and fairness. We are inclined to print no more on this subject unless someone has something fundamentally different to say. Thank you to all our readers for Speaking Out!

Pahokee needs businesses

"I'm calling about a story in the paper a couple of weeks ago about the City of Pahokee fixing up the dike for the tourists. What about the people who live in the area every day? They should be fixing up and bringing business to the neighborhood anyway. Why spend millions of dollars up there when we've got people taking their money to Palm Beach and Miami and stuff and they won't even open a decent place for us to shop or eat. Their only concern is to bring tourists in and fixing the boat ramp up. We're paying taxes too and we should have rights just like everybody else. The city commission, the mayor, everybody should do their part because it's a shame. If South Bay and Belle Glade can bring some businesses in why can't some come to the Pahokee area? Thank you."



MALL

"ELEMENTARY TEACHER AND FAMILY SHOPPING AT THE MALL."

Letters to the Editor

Child's go-cart returned, thanks to many

Dear Editor:

I would like to publically acknowledge and thank several members of our community for their assistance.

On April 20, 1999 my children's go-cart was stolen from our back yard. It was a Christmas gift to them and they took pride in having it and taking care of it. They were devastated to find it had been taken from them. I am a single parent and managing a single-income household can be stressful at times. In spite of that, I have done my best to instill good moral character and responsibility in my boys.

Sgt. Murray and the Belle Glade Police Department responded promptly and worked continuously to locate our property and the suspects who had stolen it. Less than 24-hours later, on April 21, Detective Shatarra, Officer

Woodside, and Officer Drames recovered our property and charged the juveniles with grand theft. I cannot thank them enough for their efforts and for enabling my children to see for themselves that our "system" does take care of us.

I would also like to publically thank Curtis Mosely for his assistance in identifying the suspects and locating our property. It's great to know I live in a community where we can all count on each other when it matters the most.

Each of these men deserve a giant gold star next to their names and should go down in history as heroes.

Again, thank you to each of you.

Sincerely,
Lissa Goodson Hughes

Food drive a success, thanks to Belle Glade community

Dear Editor:

On behalf of the National Association of Letter Carriers, the U.S. Postal Service, and the employees of the Belle Glade Post Office, I would like to thank the community of Belle Glade for the generous donations of food on our recent food drive.

This year, our letter carriers collected more food than any of the previous food drives which are done annually every May. This could not have been accomplished without the support

and participation of such a caring community.

As in the past couple of years, all donations collected in our city will be distributed to the needy within our area. The Heaven's Bread Basket and the First Baptist Church of Belle Glade will receive the food collected this year and distribute it to the hungry.

Thank you,
CJ Williams-Carrigan
NALC Representative

From Where I Stand: A Teenager's Voice from Inside the Culture of Death

By Sarah Roney

On April 20, 1999, there was yet another gruesome shooting in Littleton, Colorado. Kids killing kids. And again, the entire nation in its uproar is trying to figure out why. I am eighteen years old. I live in a small town near Madison, Wisconsin. A small town just like the ones where these horrifying shootings always seem to take place. Every time those stories come on the television, I can't help but notice how easily it could be my small town next. And I want to know why this is happening just as badly as any Parent, or Police Chief or Anchorman. The thing is, I am right in the middle of it. I am in the same age group as all of these High School kids. So I may have some insight for the world that has been otherwise unattainable. Since these shootings started some years ago.

The night of the Littleton shooting, as I was flipping through the various news channels that were covering the story in Littleton, Colorado, I heard something that struck a chord in me. An anchorman was interviewing the mother of a victim in the Jonesboro shooting. His question was: "If you look at America in the 1950s, you will find that this kind of thing never happened; whereas if you look at America today, this kind of thing is becoming more and more frequent. Why do you think this is happening?"

The woman, of course, could not answer the question. In fact, she didn't really even try. But I did.

I thought about it for a long time that night. And again the next morning, when my favorite morning radio talk show asked its listeners why they thought this was happening. Many people said it's the parents of the kids. Many people suggested television and video games. Many people even turned to popular musicians, looking to put the blame somewhere. But I will tell you what I think it is. What I, a regular teenager riding on the coattails of Generation X, blame it on.

It is not the parents or the movies or the rock stars. It is AMERICA. It is this culture of death, this culture in which liberals and feminists and activists are so anxious to let anything be "OK" that the once tightened, knotted rope of society is unraveling right beneath us. Don't you see? There can be no order without 'Discipline'. All of those things people think are causing children to run into a school and shoot their teachers and peers and even kids they don't know - the movies, the video games, the parents, the rap artists - they are only REFLECTIONS of our Society. Society breaks down, from one big metaphorical "family" into 50 metaphorical "families" and so on and so on, until you have the actual FAMILY, the one with the parents and the kids and the dog.

It is not one thing or two-things; it is the attitude of an entire "familial" nation being reflected back at us in the kids.

Just as that Anchorman suggested, something was different about the 1950s. WE WERE CONSERVATIVE. We had boundaries, we had a definite knowledge of right and wrong throughout the entire Nation. We didn't have

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feminists pushing women so hard to go get a job that a woman who didn't have a job was somehow "bad," thereby leaving kids at home with inadequate parental guidance and often times with parents who were truly unhappy. We didn't have liberals fighting so avidly to legalize everything that it was at the point of completely blurring the line between good and bad. We didn't have a nationwide media surge dedicated to sex and violence so intense that if you weren't playing killing video games at age 14, then you were trying to choose between contraceptives beforehand, or abortion afterwards. We didn't have disputes over whether or not we should help someone who is dying die sooner -- over whether or not we should ASSIST them in committing SUICIDE. And we certainly didn't have a President who was in favor of NATO bombing and killing children in Serbia come on the television to grieve the loss for the families of children killed in America. We live in a loosely tied society, a culture dedicated to death. If you don't want the kid, kill it. If you don't want to live out the rest of your God-given days, kill yourself. Or better yet, have someone else come help you do it. I guess, no matter how horrible

or gruesome or gut-wrenching it may be, it was just a matter of time before someone got that "killing-as-a-means-to-an-end" idea stuck in their head for the part between birth and death as well. Everything that happens in Families and Cities and States and Countries, is the 'Mirror Image' of the big picture. We are falling apart as a society. Am I, some random normal teenager, in Farmington, U.S.A., the only one who sees that? It's sad and it's hard to believe, but what's worse is that it's scary. I think it's time for our--America's--Mom and Dad to ground us--to say: "If you don't shape up by the time I count to three..." And then really count to three. Because we are running wild and pretty soon we're going to be too far from home to ever get back.

There was once a great saying by a famous man that has rung true throughout the history of mankind -- in every family and in every society and in every social group and in every religion -- it was a frighteningly true statement that cannot be disputed. I am reminded of it now, in the wake of yet another indescribably tormenting result of a nation gone haywire... "By their fruits you shall know them."

Sun Spots

Workshop available for businesses

A workshop designed to help businesses cut through the red tape to receive tax credits and other financial incentives will be held from 9 to 11 a.m., May 26 at Palm Beach Community College.

Glades Campus

Businesses located in the Pahokee Enterprise Zone and Palm Beach County's Enterprise Zone, which encompasses areas of South Bay and Belle Glade are eligible for a number of state tax incentives. The incentives include credit against sales tax for job creation, sales tax refunds for business machinery and equipment, electricity, and building materials use, jobs and property tax credits, the Community Contribution Tax Incentive Program and the Economic Development Ad

Valorem Tax Exemption. The workshop is sponsored by the Palm Beach County Enterprise Zone Development Agency and the Palm Beach Community College.

For additional information or to sign up for the workshop, call Marian at 992-9500.

Free Home repairs

The men's ministry of LifeBuilders is offering free home repairs for the needy. For more information call 996-0508.

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CRIME STOPPERS



Demetrius Thomas

Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc., is asking

citizens to help locate Demetrius Thomas, who is wanted for aggravated battery with a firearm and failure to appear on charges of no driver's license or one that has been expired more than four months.

Thomas is a black male, 5'9" tall, and weighs 80 pounds. He has black hair and brown eyes and tattoos on his chest and left arm.

His date of birth is June 13,

1977. His last address 403 Palm Glades Drive, Belle Glade. His Social Security number is 591-10-9703 and his last occupation is unknown. His warrant was active as of May 10, 1999.

If you know the whereabouts of Thomas, or anyone involved in a serious crime, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-458-8477. You can remain anonymous and still receive a cash reward if your tip leads to an arrest.

Arrest Blotters

Editor's note: The police news on this page lists arrests, not convictions, unless otherwise stated. Arrested persons who later are found not guilty or have had the charges against them dropped are welcome to let us know. We will confirm the information and print it.

BELLE GLADE

The Belle Glade Police Department handled 675 complaints, worked six crime scenes and gave 28 traffic citations the week of May 10-16.

Those arrested included:

May 10 - Juvenile, 17, attempted first degree murder; Darren D. McCrary, 21, domestic battery.

May 11 - Dennis Hubbard, 19, armed burglary with battery, aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer with a deadly weapon, armed robbery with hate crime enhancement, grand theft, grand theft with a firearm, petty theft, aggravated assault with a firearm and false imprisonment; Joquin Turner, 18, armed burglary with battery, aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer with a deadly weapon, armed robbery with hate crime enhancement, grand theft with a firearm, petty theft, aggravated assault with a firearm and false imprisonment; Michael Jenkins, 18, armed burglary with battery, aggravated assault on a law enforcement officer with a deadly weapon, armed robbery with a hate crime enhancement, grand theft, grand theft with a firearm, petty theft, aggravated assault with a firearm and false imprisonment; Tabatha Josey, 25, robbery, and criminal mischief; Serafin Paniagua, 37, stalking.

May 12 - Carmen Camacho, 26, dealing with stolen property.

May 13 - Jeffrey Byrd, 31, domestic battery; Jerry Lee Broeden, 50, failure to appear on a traffic citation; Kevin Laws, 34, possession of marijuana under 20 grams; Juvenile, 9, aggravated battery; Bernard Robinson, 39, violation of probation; William McClarin, 36, possession of drug paraphernalia; John Green, 35, possession of drug paraphernalia.

May 14 - Steven Federick, 18, grand theft of a motor vehicle; Juvenile, 16, aggravated assault on a pregnant woman.

May 15 - Carlos Santos, 25, possession of obscene materials; Lucky Chowdhury, 36, domestic battery and battery; Jiban Chowdhury, 43, aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, domestic battery and criminal mischief.

May 16 - Shelley Bizjak, 37, resisting an officer with violence; Farzann Momim, 23, resisting an officer with violence.

PAHOKEE

The Pahokee Police Department handled 167 complaints, issued 11 traffic citations and made 12 arrests the week of May 10-16.

Those arrested included:

May 10 - Barry Gwamer, Jr., 18, burglary; Roy Thompson, 20, felony battery.

May 11 - Tamekia Sider, 21, domestic battery; Juvenile, 16, arrest; Juvenile, 13, affray.

May 12 - No arrests made.

May 13 - Randolph Abner, 36, corruption by threat to a public servant; Anthony Harris, 19, warrant for grand theft auto; Juvenile, 14, warrant for failure to appear on charges of battery; Sharon Atkins, 35, warrant for contempt of court.

May 14 - No arrests made.

May 15 - Hector Culon, 37, driving while under the influence.

May 16 - Eloy Solis, 43, domestic battery; Elliott Boone, 42, warrant for trespassing after warning; Seferino Mojica, 21, possession of cocaine.

SOUTH BAY

The South Bay Police Department made eight arrests the week of May 9-15.

May 9 - No arrests made.

May 10 - Mary Merritt, 49, aggravated assault; Angela Watson, 28, warrant for failure to appear for arraignment on charges of retail theft; Juvenile, 17, warrant for grand theft; Tracy Davis, 27, warrant for failure to appear for arraignment on charges of driving without a driver's license.

May 11 - No arrests made.

May 12 - No arrests made.

May 13 - Miguel Martinez, 33, driving without a driver's license; Earl McIntosh, 49, warrant for failure to pay fine on DUI charges.

May 14 - James E. Cook, 20, possession of marijuana under 20 grams; Juvenile, 17, carrying a concealed weapon.

May 15 - No arrests made.

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ON THE SCHEDULE

WINSTON CUP SERIES

Coming up: The Winston

Where: Lowe's Motor Speedway, Concord, N.C., 1.5-mile track, 70 laps (segments of 30, 30 and 10), 105 miles

When: Saturday, May 22
Defending champion: Mark Martin

Qualifying: Bill Elliott won the pole in each of the last two years. The format is unique in that it

consists of three laps, with a mandatory two-tire pit stop included in the total elapsed time.

Preliminaries: The winner of the Winston Open will advance into The Winston. That 50-lap race will be preceded by a pair of 25-lap qualifying.

BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL

Coming up: First Union 200

Where: Nazareth (Pa.) Speedway, 1-mile track, 200

laps/miles

When: Sunday, May 23

Defending champion: Tim

Fedeus

Qualifying record: Elliott Sadler, Chevrolet, 129.674 mph (May 18, 1997)

Race record: Chuck Brown, Pontiac, 104.772 mph, May 11, 1991

CRAFTSMAN TRUCK SERIES

Coming up: O'Reilly Auto Parts

If you've got a question or a comment, write:

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1999 POINTS STANDINGS

WINSTON CUP	BUSCH	TRUCK
1. Dale Jarrett, 1,669	Matt Kenseth, 1,633	Ron Hornaday, 1,125
2. Jeff Burton, 1,608	Dale Earnhardt Jr., 1,549	Jack Sprague, 1,081
3. Bobby Labonte, 1,560	Elton Sawyer, 1,514	Stacy Compton, 1,074
4. Mark Martin, 1,514	Jeff Green, 1,495	Kevin Harvick, 978
5. Jeff Gordon, 1,419	Jason Keller, 1,387	Andy Houston, 370
6. Rusty Wallace, 1,372	Todd Bodine, 1,355	Greg Biffle, 961
7. Tony Stewart, 1,365	Jeff Purvis, 1,335	Mike Wallace, 952
8. Ward Burton, 1,339	Cassey Wood, 1,298	Jay Sauter, 921
9. Dale Earnhardt, 1,328	Mike McLaughlin, 1,318	Kevin Cwynski, 912
10. Terry Labonte, 1,302	Dave Blaney, 1,227	Dennis Setzer, 910

TOP TEN

Weekly rankings by NASCAR This Week writer Josh Stewart. Last week's ranking is in parentheses.

- (4) Dale Jarrett Title just like Ned?
- (3) Bobby Labonte Stayed safe at Richmond
- (2) Jeff Gordon Top Goodyear casualty
- (1) Jeff Burton Led most laps at Richmond
- (5) Mark Martin Almost pulled WC/BGN double
- (7) Rusty Wallace Another Richmond top-five
- (6) Tony Stewart Can focus on Indy/Charlotte
- (8) Dale Earnhardt Finished eighth at Charlotte
- (9) Ward Burton Ninth at Richmond
- (10) Terry Labonte Close to dropping out

1999 WINSTON CUP SCHEDULE

Date	Track	Location
May 22	Charlotte Motor Speedway (all-star race)	Concord, N.C.
May 30	Charlotte Motor Speedway	Concord, N.C.
June 6	Dover Downs International Speedway	Dover, Del.
June 13	Michigan Speedway	Brooklyn, Mich.
June 20	Pocono Raceway	Long Pond, Pa.
June 27	Sears Roebuck Raceway	Sanoma, Calif.
July 3	Daytona International Speedway	Daytona Beach, Fla.
July 11	New Hampshire International Speedway	Loudon, N.H.
July 25	Pocono Raceway	Long Pond, Pa.
Aug. 7	Indianapolis Motor Speedway	Speedway, Ind.
Aug. 15	Watkins Glen International	Watkins Glen, N.Y.
Aug. 22	Michigan Speedway	Brooklyn, Mich.
Aug. 28	Bristol Motor Speedway	Bristol, Tenn.
Sept. 6	Daytona International Speedway	Daytona Beach, Fla.
Sept. 11	Richmond International Raceway	Richmond, Va.
Sept. 19	New Hampshire International Speedway	Loudon, N.H.
Sept. 26	Dover Downs International Speedway	Dover, Del.
Oct. 3	Marlinsville Speedway	Marlinsville, Va.

FROM LAST WEEK

WINSTON CUP SERIES

Dale Jarrett captured the Winston Cup points lead from Jeff Burton with his win at Richmond. Burton led 104 laps during the race, more than any other driver, but ended up having mechanical trouble and had to go behind the pit wall for 38 laps.

Jarrett and the other top-five finishers did a good job of avoiding wrecks caused by a freak occurrence in which right front tires were blistering and breaking up. As many as 15 drivers experienced some tire trouble during the race. The sealer that was put on the track before Richmond may have caused the decay of the Goodyear tires.

BUSCH GRAND NATIONAL

Mark Martin's victory in the Hardee's 250 was his 37th win in BGN events, more than anyone else in the history of the series.

CRAFTSMAN TRUCK SERIES

Mike Wallace beat Jack Sprague in the third-closest finish in Truck Series history. Wallace won by a mere .013 seconds.

FEUD OF THE WEEK

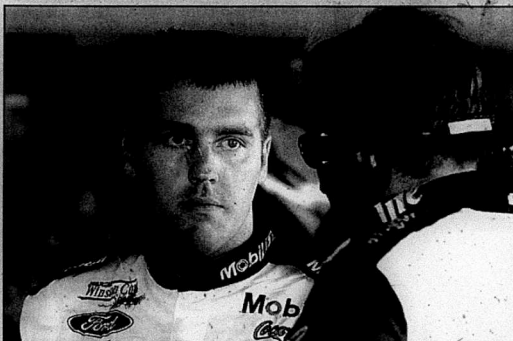
Kenny Irwin vs. Kenny Wallace

During the first caution period, Irwin was trying to get out of the pits when he ran over a tire and got stuck trying to get back out on the track. The tire turned out to be Wallace's, as a member of his pit crew allowed a tire removed during a pit stop to roll out of the team's designated space. Irwin's and Wallace's teams then exchanged some angry conversation.

NASCAR This Week's Josh Stewart gives his opinion: "Irwin started third and finished 40th due to engine failure. Wallace started second and finished 41st due to engine failure. The bantering of the teams was entertaining, but it's hard to feud when nobody did anything."

PROFILE

Jeremy Mayfield



Jeremy Mayfield has one win in 154 starts.

John Clark/NASCAR This Week

By Monte Dutton
NASCAR This Week

Jeremy Mayfield is one of many NASCAR drivers who grew up in Owensboro, Ky., but he is the only one without a "brother connection." Other drivers from Owensboro include Darrell and Michael Waltrip, and David, Jeff, and Mark Green.

Cale Yarborough gave Mayfield his first Winston Cup ride during the 1994 season, when Mayfield also drove for Sadler Racing and T.W. Taylor. He moved to Kranefuss-Haas Racing in 1996.

During the 1998 season, Michael Kranefuss executed a merger with Penske Racing South, meaning that Mayfield joined Rusty Wallace in a two-car team. The immediate result was Mayfield's first victory.

AGE: 29 (will turn 30 on May 27)

HOMETOWN: Born and raised in Owensboro, Ky., lives in Cornelius, N.C.

WIFE: Christina

CHILDREN: None

CAR: No. 12 Mobil-1 Ford Taurus, owned by Michael Kranefuss

RECORD: 154 starts, 1 win, 2 poles, 20 top-five finishes, 30 top-10s, approximately \$5.5 million in career earnings

FIRSTS: Start (Oct. 10, 1993, at Charlotte), pole (July 26, 1996, at Talladega), win (June 21, 1998, at Pocono)

DO YOU FEEL AN OBLIGATION TO BE A

ROLE MODEL? "When you first think about it, you want to think, 'Hey, it's my life and I'll do what I want.' But you can't be that way. Whether you want to be or not, you are a role model if you are in professional sports. Whether it's stock car racing or basketball or whatever, you are a role model. It's up to you to decide what kind of one you are going to be."

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DO YOU HAVE ANY MEMORIES OF OTHER DRIVERS SERVING AS AN EXAMPLE TO YOU WHEN YOU WERE GROWING UP? "You affect other people's lives, and you can't ever forget that. I remember when I was in high school, Darrell Waltrip came and spoke one day to an assembly. My shop teacher knew how much I loved racing and how closely I followed it, and he made sure I got the chance to meet Darrell. Next thing I knew, I was telling him all about what I wanted to do and was trying to do, and how much I wanted to race. He spent some time with me and talked to me about it. It meant the world to me. The funny thing is he probably doesn't remember that and I have never forgotten it. But I know how much those few minutes meant to me, and I've always tried to treat people that way too."

Trackside Trivia

- Who was the first rookie to win the Daytona 500 pole?
- What film about stock car racing starred Rory Calhoun?
- What make of car was Al Keller driving when he won the first NASCAR road race in 1954?

Answers:

1. Roy Allen in 1954
2. Thunder in Carolina
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Who's Hot... Who's Not

NOT: Dale Jarrett is now the man to beat in the Winston Cup points race after winning the Pontiac Excitement 400.

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FROM THE ARCHIVES

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Park tries new look to spark some luck

By Josh Stewart
NASCAR This Week

RICHMOND, Va. — "The usually clean-shaven Steve Park was sporting some facial hair when he got to Richmond International Raceway for last Saturday's Pontiac Excitement 400."

Park was participating in Kyle Petty's Motorcycle Ride Across America. The ride raised more than half-a-million dollars for charity, and Park hoped the new look

would raise his performance level.

"After I got home (from the motorcycle ride), a lot of people commented on how they 'like the beard,'" Park said. "I decided to leave it on for Richmond. If my luck turns around here, it's going to stay. If not, I'll be back to that clean-cut guy that I was before the motorcycle ride."

Park did need to get one opinion before deciding not to shave. "I was worried about how

my mom would feel about it," Park said. "She's supportive of it. This is what you call pulling out all strings to get our luck turned around."

Maybe Park should try a goatee next time. He finished 34th. Saturday's race was his first with Steve Hmiel as interim crew chief. Hmiel's usual position is as technical director for Dale Earnhardt Inc.

RAGE RECAP: Jeff Gordon won the pole for the Pontiac

Excitement 400 in a weather-postponed single round of qualifying. He lapped the 3/4-mile Richmond International Raceway in 21.344 seconds, for a speed of 126.499 mph. He broke his own track-qualifying record of 125.558 mph, set on June 4, 1998. Michael Waltrip crashed on his second qualifying lap Saturday afternoon. Although he received the 38th starting position as a provisional entry, he was forced to drop to the back of the field when the race began.



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Xi Zeta Mu selected new officers for the 1999/2000 season. Pictured left to right are: Club President Janise Goforth, Club Sponsor Jane Evans, Club Vice President Sandra Chamblie, Club Extension Officer Gloria Swager, Club Treasurer Sara Phillips, Club Recording Secretary Karen Corbin and Club Corresponding Secretary Linda McMillan

Former resident Ruby Markham dies

Ruby B. Markham, 81, of Ft. sister: Lucille Chaffin of Winfield, Ala., five grandchildren and one great grandchild.

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, May 20 at 11 a.m. at the Freewill Baptist Church in Guin, Alabama.

Interment will be at Pitney Grove Cemetery. Bass Okeechobee Funeral Home made were in charge of the arrangements.

She was born June 29, 1917 in Beaverton, Alabama. She is survived by her husband Clement L. Markham, daughter Carolyn Grindstaff and her husband Bill of Okeechobee, son, Scott Markham and wife Jacquelyn of Mount Dora.

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Pentecost celebration

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In 1980 these ministries formed themselves into Thanksgiving Celebration, Inc., dedicating themselves to the task of demonstrating the love of Christ through fellowship and prayer. The program will feature praise and worship music, singing and dancing and a special dramatic presentation. For more information call 1-800-782-6414.



Xi Beta Tau

Pahoekie Xi Beta Tau Sorority has been busy these last couple of months, after a successful Valentine cookie sale in which members worked very hard. They met at the home of Jo Hatten in March and enjoyed a delightful beauty program. Also in March, they visited the Norton Art Gallery to view the "Angels from the Vatican" display.

On April 11 Xi Beta Tau met at the home of Tina Provenzale where eight members (Frances Adams, Kay Korby, Tina Provenzale, Sandy Simonson, Linda Stanley, Alice Thompson, Carlene Walker and Julia Wilkinson) advanced to the Degree of Exemplar Preceptor, this was officiated by Ada Bush Conley.

Following that ritual three members received the Degree of Exemplar, advancing were: Anita Brunson, Teryl Collier and Jo Ann Law.

On May 6, the group met at the home of Sandy Simonson where they heard from Kay Zaccagnino on behalf of the Palm Beach County School Board and the Pahoekie Chamber of Commerce, at that time they voted to support a local school with a \$200 platinum pledge to a needy class.

Once again they had progression Rituals whereby Amy Schenck received the Degree of Exemplar and Mirtha Graydon, Jo Hatten, Omaidia Milliron, Maria Mills, Lynda Moss and Diane Wagner received the Degree of Preceptor.

Following the Rituals, the new officers are: President, Teryl Collier, Vice President, Julia Wilkinson, Recording Secretary, Sandy Simonson; Treasurer, Tina Provenzale; Corresponding Secretary, Mirtha Graydon.

Then on Friday, May 14, the group officially ended the year with a dinner at the Drawbridge Cafe. Attending were six members and four spouses, Anita Brunson, Teryl Collier, Mirtha and Ronnie Grayson, Tina and Phil Provenzale, Amy and Ken Schenck and Alice and Don Thompson.

Xi Zeta Mu

Xi Zeta Mu held their regular monthly meeting on Monday, April 26 at the home of hostess Linda McMillan. Co-hostesses for the evening were Judy McMillan and Laurel Lari.

Following the business meeting, perfect attendance pins were presented to: Karen Corbin, 13 years; Linda McMillan, 11 years; Judy McMillan, 9 years; Gloria Swager, 8 years; Greddie York, 5 years; Janise Goforth, 3 years; Sara Phillips and Laverne Motes, 2 years.

Sandra Chamblie presided over the installation of officers for the upcoming years. They are: President, Janise Goforth, Vice President Sandra Chamblie, Corresponding Secretary, Linda McMillan, Recording Secretary Karen Corbin, Treasurer Sara Phillips, Extension Officer Gloria Wagner and Club Sponsor Jane Evans. A dinner of various salads and desserts were served. Those in attendance were: Florence Acree; Sandra Chamblie, Karen Corbin, Laura Mae Enfinger, Jane Evans, Janise Goforth, Judy McMillan, Linda McMillan, Pat McKee, Laverne Motes, Sara Phillips, Gloria Swager, Laurel Lari and Greddie York.

Military News

Navy Senior Chief Petty Officer Anthony A. Jones, son of Arthur Jones of Belle Glade recently completed a six-month deployment to the Western Pacific, Indian Oceans and Arabian Gulf while assigned to the fast combat support ship USS Rainier, home ported in Bremerton, Wash.

USS Rainier departed as part of the USS Carl Vinson Battle Group.

During the deployment, Jones' ship participated in two high profile operations.

During Operation Southern Watch, Jones' ship enforced NATO sanctions imposed against Iraq after the 1991 Gulf War, which included monitoring the no-fly zone over Southern Iraq and conducting maritime interception operations.

In Operation Desert Fox, units from the battle group hit Iraqi military targets capable of producing weapons of mass destruction.

During the 70 hour assault more than 300 Tomahawk missiles and 691,000 pounds of replenishment.

The ship transports bulk petroleum products from shore depots directly to other auxiliary ships or combat forces underway.

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USS Rainier gives battle group commanders the capability, flexibility and mobility to sustain deployed forces underway for long periods.

The 1978 graduate of Glade Central High School joined the Navy in August 1980.

The Elite Community Club presents their 34 Annual Debutante-Escort Cotillion

The Elite Community Club presented their 34 annual Debutante-escort cotillion, on Saturday, April 17 at the Glades Central High School Gymnasium. The theme this year was "Magic Moment."

The Elite Community Club extended a special recognition to the parents, guardians, friends and visitors who attends those most important occasion.

Honorees were recognized as they made their debut into society.

Bridgette Pierce, introduced the mistresses of ceremony for the evening. Mistress of Ceremony Edna McClendon and Mistress of Ceremony Ruby Rutledge, both escorted by Gregory Hall. Reverend Kenneth Anderson, gave the invocation. Dorothy Vereen, did the welcome and the occasion.

Tammy Porter, the daughter of the Assessor Elsie Singletary and Honor Escort Roy singletary introduced both the

Assessor of the evening. Sharon Brown, sang, "The Greatest Love." The honoree presented rose to their parents.

The 1998-1999, Sub-Debutante and future debutantes presented a dance to the honorees.

Debutantes and Escorts performed their first waltz with their parents or guardians. Brentoya Mayes and brother-in-law, Shameka Putmon and father, Joni Wallace and father, Jerry Campbell and mother, Nathaniel Webb and mother. The cotillion was the highlight of the evening presented by the 1999 debutantes and escorts.

Faryl Morris, the scholarship winner recipient was awarded the scholarship certificate by Ms. McClendon.

The former debutantes and escorts were then recognized. The club president, Leola Holland introduced the Elite club members.

Every debutante and escort received roses and a gift from

the club members and guest.

Proud debutantes and escorts posed for a picture with their families. Shakira Brown and family, Sandy Ann Dunkley and family, Anisha Henry and family, LaTonya Pass and family, LaKeshia Posey and family, Chandra Crosby and family, Maurice Humphrey and family, Jonte Petty and family.

The Elite Community Club members are: President, Leola Holland, Vice Presidents, Joan Bass and Effie Grear, Recording Secretary, Ruby Rutledge, Treasurer, Annie Russell, Correspondence Secretary, La'Trece Hubbard, Bevelence, Maude Vereen, Historian, Doris Harrell, Journalist, Edith Henderson, Members, Daisy Butts, Christine Henderson, Dynisha Jackson, Bridgette Pierce and Dorothy Vereen.

A special thanks goes out to the 1998-1999 debutante-escort cotillion general chairpersons Annie Russell and Maude Vereen, debutante sponsors,



Proud debutantes and their escorts pose during the Elite Community Club 34 annual Debutante-Escort cotillion.

Daisy Butts, Doris Harrell, Edith Henderson and La'Trece Hubbard. Escort sponsors, Joan Bass and Dorothy Vereen and Sub Debutante Sponsors, Effie Grear, Dynisha Jackson and Bridgette Pierce.
The 1998/1999 Debutantes and their escorts were as follows:

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and
Pennard Bennett

Ratisha Brown
and
Jerry Campbell

Shakira Brown
and
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and
Maurice Collier

Rhondalish Collins
and
Utwon Cooper

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and
Calvin Edwards

Sandy Ann Dunkley
and
Dwight Forde

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and
Claude Harriott

Anisha Henry
and
Ronnie Harrison, Jr.

Andresa Holzfendorf
and
Maurice Humphrey

Reson Konchellah
and
Mike Jones

Brentoya Mayes
and
Bobby Kendall

Faryl Morris
and
Jermaine King

LaTonya Pass
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LaKeshia Posey
and

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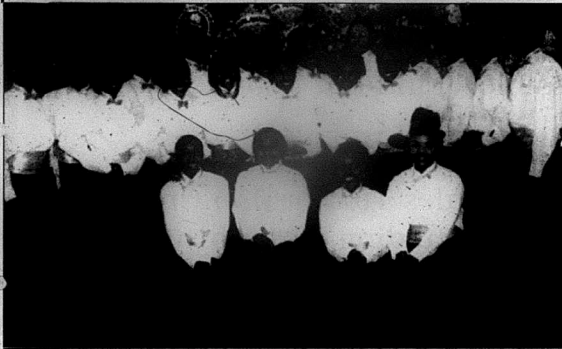
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Jonte' Petty

Renada Sneed
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Ricardo Quarrie

Natoya Swaby
and
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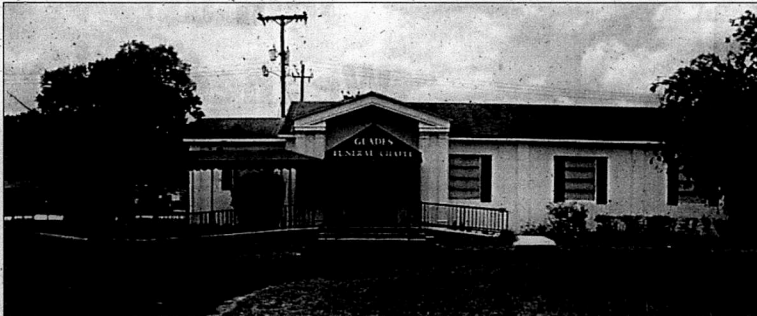
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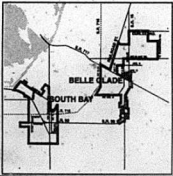
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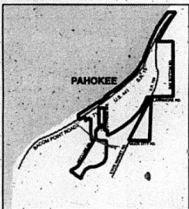
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Local day care centers from all over the area joined in a Children's Day Celebration at Pahokee Airport Park last Friday, May 14. Those participating included Trehouse, Building Blocks, Kid Zone, Wee Care REMA of Belle Glade, RCMA New Hope, CDC of Pahokee, Bright Ideas of Pahokee, Palm Glades Headstart, Pahokee Headstart, Peppi Headstart, Farrar Family Development Center of South Bay and Children's Home Society of Florida. The kids were treated to activities such as a fun house, merry-go-round rides, train rides and a bounce house. They were fed a lunch of hotdogs and hamburgers. Hundreds of children attended the day in the park.

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The center has a three year contract with the Department of Juvenile Justice and deals with secure-level 6 youth who have committed such crimes as 2nd degree felonies or higher and have prior escape histories.

The young males, between the ages of 13 and 17, are assigned to the center by the Juvenile Justice Department and have a projected duration of six to nine months at the center. Recently the center has been criticized for holding the young men at the center longer than

Plane Crash/From Pg.1
airport officials said it was not that unusual for small planes to carry extra provisions. Representatives from South Sky Aviation arrived at the airport a few hours later to re-

trieve the small plane. Ms Hughes said this would not stop her from flying. "I would take the plane back if they would fix it," said Ms. Hughes. "I love flying and I just had an accident. It hap-

pened."

It cost Ms. Hughes around \$68 an hour to rent the small plane. Jokingly, she told officers, "I hope they don't charge me for down time."

Volunteers needed
The Pahokee boys facility is looking for volunteers to help make a difference in the lives of young men by tutoring, being mentors and role models, and serving as guest speakers in career areas.

The facility is home to 350 youth between the ages of 14 to 18. If you would like to help make a difference in the lives of these young men please call the Volunteer Coordinator at 924-5922, Ext. 207.

Soccer registration
American Youth Soccer Organization Region 1267 will be holding registration for the fall season and for Major League Soccer Camp on May 22 from 1 to 5 p.m. at the Clewiston Youth Center.

The cost for the fall season is \$35 for the first child and \$30 for each additional child. The cost covers an eight week season and Jamboree and uniform. Shoes and shinguards are not included. MLS Camp will be June 1-5 at Sugarland Park in Clewiston.

For more information call 941-983-0454 or stop by U-Save Supermarket in Belle Glade.

Low income residents living in Palm Beach County can qualify to have their dogs and cats spayed or neutered for only \$10. A rabies vaccination and county license tag are included. proof of residency

Officers/From pg.1

"Our school received the best score in the Glades, beating out every other elementary school," said Ms. Terembes. According to Ms. Terembes the test scores from the Florida Writes tests were up by 64 percent.

She invited the commission to the school on Friday, May 21 for the annual Spring Carnival in celebration of the end of the school year.

The commission also decided to table a request by Kenneth Jackson for a special exception.

Mr. Jackson wants the commission to rezone an area to commercial instead of residential. He wants to establish a wash house at the site.

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Glades Central Spring Band Concert is May 23

Culminating a year filled with superior ratings in district and state performance competitions, the Glades Central High School concert band will present its annual Spring Concert Sunday, May 23 at 4 p.m. in the school auditorium. The concert will feature several of the band's outstanding small ensembles, each of which earned superior ratings in state competition.

The flute, clarinet, woodwind, brass and drum ensembles will bring their best talent

and interpretations to classical and jazz selections by master composers.

Also featured will be Glades Central senior and bass virtuoso Clayton Maddox, who will perform a tuba solo. Maddox ranked among the top tubists in the state of Florida, has sat first chair in the District's Honor Band since his 9th grade year.

Thus far, Maddox has been offered six full scholarships to colleges, who recognize the genius of his unique talent.

He was featured in the Street Beat Talent Showcase, held recently at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center, as well as band concerts at local high schools including Wellington High.

A distinguished cadre of guest conductors who are former members of Glades Central's band will lead the band in this special evening of extraordinary musical performance. A small admission will be charged.



COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARDS were presented to three Belle Glade residents at the Monday, May 18 City Commission meeting. Shown, from left are Chief of Police Mike Miller and Vice Mayor Harma Miller who presented awards to Jessie Campbell, Brad Wilkinson and Israel Baez.

Literacy Awards Program held at Elks Lodge



Sandra Christian, (r) was presented the "Outstanding Volunteer of the Year" award by Sister Pat Rogan. Sandra has worked with several students and as a member of the Recognition committee she solely initiated the first fund raising project for the Glades area.



Tutor Dorothy Kendrick (r) was presented the Sidney Weinstein Outstanding Service Award at the Literacy Project ceremony. Dorothy has given more hours than any other volunteer - over 275 hours! She has also served as a member of the Recognition Committee. Sister Pat Rogan (l) presents the award to Dorothy.



Sister Pat Rogan, (l) presents Sarah Moore with a certificate for completing Challenges 1, 2, 3 and 4. Sarah's tutor is Marion Brozen, who was absent from the event.



Elks Lodge Exalted Ruler Steve Johnson was presented a certificate of appreciation for allowing the Literacy Program to hold their program at the club.

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Participants in the Glades Literacy Project were honored at an awards ceremony on May 7 at the Belle Glade Elks Lodge. The program, which pairs those who wish to learn to read with tutors, has been in operation at the Belle Glade Municipal Library for 2 1/2 years and is coordinated by Sister Pat Rogan.

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ORDINANCE 99-8 PROPOSAL
You are hereby notified that on May 20, 1999 at 5:00 p.m. in the City Commission Chamber at the City Hall, Pahokee, Florida, the City Commission of the City of Pahokee will consider proposed Ordinance No. 99-5, for adoption, the title of which is as follows:

ORDINANCE 99-5
AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF PAHOKEE, FLORIDA REQUIRING A LOCKED DATE ON ANY BRIDGE CONSTRUCTED OVER THE TIDE CANAL ALONG THE LAYNE AC LAND OBSERVATIONS.

A copy of such proposed Ordinance has been filed with the City Clerk at the City Hall at Pahokee, Florida, for inspection by the public. Interested parties may appear at the meeting and be heard with respect to the above proposed Ordinance. Please govern yourselves accordingly.

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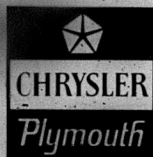
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